

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

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## Dear Owner/Manager:

This month marks the twenty-ninth year since the expiration of rent controls in Montgomery County. The Voluntary Rent Guideline system in place over these years has helped both government and the real estate industry remain aware of inflationary pressures related to rent increases in this region.

The figures from the U.S. Department of Labor on which the Voluntary Rent Guideline are based show the increase in the rent component of the Consumer Price Index for 2010 for the Washington Metropolitan area to be 2.0 percent. Based on that information, the Voluntary Rent Guideline for Montgomery County will be set at 2.0 percent.

Your cooperation in keeping rent increases moderate is appreciated. Please direct any questions or observations that you may have about the Guideline to the Office of Landlord-Tenant Affairs, Division of Housing and Code Enforcement, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, at 240-777-3600.

Sincerely,

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